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House Ethics Committee Retains Outside Counsel to Investigate Ethics Complaints Against Rep. Stringer

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative T.J. Shope (R-8), chair of the House Ethics Committee, today announced that the committee has retained Ballard Spahr, LLP to assist in the investigation of ethics complaints filed against Representative David Stringer (R-1).

The team from Ballard Spahr will be headed up by Joseph Kanefield, who leads the firm's Political and Election Law Practice Group. Mr. Kanefield has served as general counsel to Governor Jan Brewer, State Election Director and in-house counsel to the Arizona Secretary of State, Assistant Attorney General, and an attorney with the Arizona Department of Revenue.

"Joe Kanefield is an experienced, accomplished, and talented attorney," said Representative Shope. **"I'm confident that Mr. Kanefield will provide crucial assistance as the Ethics Committee fully and fairly investigates these complaints in a timely manner."**

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